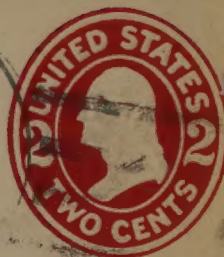
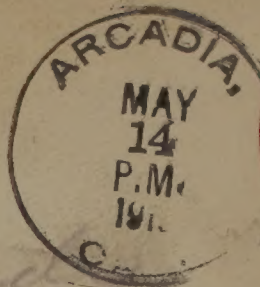


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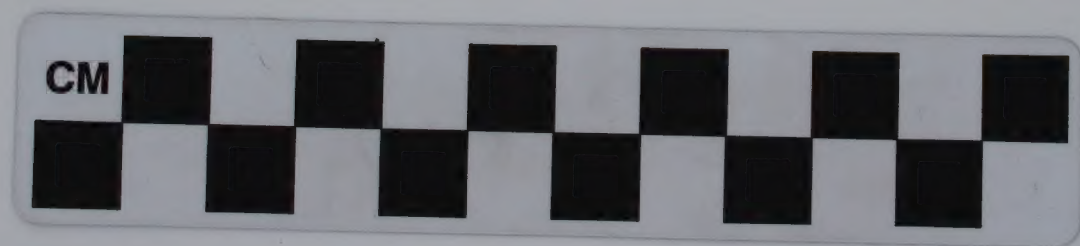


Mr. G. W. Grand
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San Luis Obispo Co.

California

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Tuesday night May 11

Dear Dad:

The kids have all just gone to bed and I ought to be there too but will talk to you a few minutes first. They have been very busy since supper drawing pictures, & they are real good for them.

Rec'd your letter this A.M. & glad to hear from you seemed like quite awhile since we'd heard from you. Thanks! for the \$5.00 & the map.

Glad you got the oranges, how long was they on the way? How do they suit you & Bert? are they keeping all right? It's the winding up of winter oranges, Valencia's will soon be ready?

That acre out-side of Colony are there oaks on it so we could pitch out tents, under or near to one? But how about water to drink etc?

What would you gain by going out side until fall? Won't they have us now enough to build a house including your work?

\$700.00

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2 I don't like idea of you putting up any temporary buildings, like when you ^{do} put up a building for it to be where it could stay on the 2 1/2. Then if you do that had better wait until we get this old lumber up there so you can use it & not spoil new lumber.

How far from our 2 1/2 a. is this out-side land, and how ^{far} from nearest town?

I thought I told this place I am to pay only \$7.00 per mo. rent & then the 1.50 water rent.

You said it would cost 5¢ per square ft to store goods so have you any idea what it would cost? Or why wouldn't it do for you to build a barn or shed on 2 1/2 acres & then store a lot of our goods in it? Or would it be better to leave it here until Fall & see how things turn out for us up there? But don't suppose things here would be very safe not as safe as in a shed up there.

As my after 10 now & I can't hardly write, see or think so. Good night,

CM

3 Has Mr. L. said what rent he would ask us?
but he's don't go away until Aug. perhaps
it wouldn't be so very pleasant with him then,
Friday A.M.

Well! guess you think its long while you've
got to wait for letter, but I told you that this
wk. was going to be extra busy, as you surely ex-
pected to be neglected a little.

Had I sewing here yesterday we had a very nice
lunch & nice time & got quite a bit of sewing
done (wish tho it had been more.) There were 7 of us
women & 5 kids.

Last eve. Mr Webb jr. & sweet wife & boy called here
twice, going & coming from over near rhubarb patch
where they are expecting to build 2 nice houses soon
here this summer I believe (are waiting for money
from East. Mrs W. left plane with them & they spoke
encouragingly to him. He has good prospects of

CM

4 getting quite a lot of work, they think business is
picking up a lot, & soon as he gets work expects
to give you work, has bid on big job up at
Van Nise, he says we have got the cheapest
place he knows of right here, he says they
have talked it over & thought it over & over ^{think}
they will but not more until next year, espe-
cially if things open up here pretty well. so dear
I don't know what to do for us to do.

Friday afternoon, girls got up too late to take this
to office this A.M. so here it is still so will add,
move to it altho I am most "snowed in" with
work. Since lunch I hailed Mrs Horlock about
the janitor work. Said she didn't know how it
would be, that Mr Harry H. had spoke for it if he
didn't get some - else", but she would feel very badly
to have to give it to him, as Harry was so quick tempered
& loud & spoke up so quick & often was sorry after, & it

CM

5- would be agreeable to her for you to have the
janitor work if it would suit Mr O'Callahan well.
I told her I'd heard Mr O'C. had said he would like
for Mr Grandy to have the job. She said she would let
me know in a few days or see me again soon.

Grand Ma O'Callahan has told me several times
that Harry O'C. had several times said he would like
as well for you to have the job but he didn't know
how it would be with Mrs H. on account Mr Harry H
having said he might want it.

So stay where you are until Mr Webb sends for you,
and until we see how things are going to open up
here for us staying another year.

What amount are you paying on property monthly?
and could we keep them up if you should only
make 75.⁰⁰ per mo. School job may be less this
year for all I know but expect you could sandwich
in carpenter work too.

CM

Mr Webb saw widow about 168 acres up near Pear-
dale. ^{as} she said for \$20.00 she would give 60 day
option, he said he thought he could sell it soon.
He could get at it before weather gets hot & dries
up every thing, ought to have got it little soon. Said
Spring & winter are best times to sell. They offered
to take me up some day if I wanted to see the
land & country, said if we'd start early some A.M. we
could make trip in one day, they want to go up
any way - for a company who have 1000 acres or more
offered him \$25.00 per for selling their subdivision
acreage for them as I may try it some day soon
before Daisy Bell is fresh. I wouldn't be afraid to
take the option without seeing it.
Mr Webb is anxious to make a little money right
away quick, they are getting fidgety about being
unsettled & no work. I believe they are a bad people.
If we don't move up there I wish we could go up

CM

7 and stay for wk more or less, wonder if all
the "house-keeping tents" are engaged for the
convention? it would be fine for us all to spend
a wk. there then wouldn't it? Well I hope we will
be able to decide in another wk, what we will
and can do.

Our Church is all but broken up + spect it will
be soon all perhaps but S. S. but I am broke up
over such prospects will try to tell you more
next time seems I hafta be so brief + hurried
always. Trust you are well + biz. as ever,
I rec'd the 3rd glad to get it + ready for more.
Much love + kisses from
your "bunch" Dedie.

Mr Bertalina has been
very ill, had 3 Drs one day
thru. wk, is better or was
yesterday - his stomach.

CM

Just rec'd new contract
last eve also your letter
with Keller deed. R

